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Dear Sir:

This communication is filed in response to the Notice to non-compliant amendment mailed on September 27, 2004 and is timely filed within one month of the time set for the response.

In response to the Office Action mailed on March 9, 2004 in connection with the above-identified patent application, please enter the following amendments, and consider the following arguments. This response is timely filed with a Petition for extension of time of three months with necessary fees. Attached herewith are a Declaration by Sherman Fong, Ph.D. with five exhibits: (1) Current Protocols in Immunology, Vol. I, Unit 3.12 by Richard Coico, (2) an article by Ralph Steinman, (3) an article by Gubler et al., (4) an article by Peterson et al., and (5) an article by Thurner et al. Also attached is an Information Disclosure Statement with necessary fees.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.